

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Examiner: Maria Tereasa T. THEIN

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For:

ELECTRONIC COMMERCE BROKING SYSTEM

ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, the above-captioned application is hereby entitled to small entity status.

Respectfully submitted,

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